GERMANY UNEASY

AT THE CLOSE ALLIANCE BE. TWEEN RUSSIA AND FRANCE.

Maneuvering of German Warships a Failure-Bismarck Consulted as to Increase of the Navy-A Coolness Between Emperor William and the King of Saxony. A Train Wrecked With Design Against the Emperor's Life.

(Copyrighted by the Associated Press.). Berlin, August 28.-The visit of President Faure to Russia has been caimly comment ed upon in Berlin, though there is a distinct undercurrent of uneasiness, which tends to show that the newspapers do not believe what they are printing on the subject. The opinion is expressed, howplain to France that Russia cannot be dragged into following a policy of "Re-'vanche" and the conviction becomes all the time more widespread, as it is industriously pressed in every quarter that France will relinquish the idea of revenge upon Germany and the reconquest of Alsace-Lorraine, and will gradually become more friendly to Germany. Doubtless, however, the wish in this case is father to the thought.

An unpleasant surprise has been created by the naval correspondence of The Kreuz Zeitung and other conservative newspapers, as well as the correspondent of The Deutsche Zeitung Rundschau, reporting the naval manoeuvres near Dantzic during the past fortnight. They describe the evolutions of the German war vessels as having been total failures so far as quickness and maneuvering ability to resist torpedo attacks are concerned. On Tuesday last, off the port of Bela, one iron clad division narrowly missed running aground while maneuvering to escape torpedo boats. The correspondents who were themselves naval men, and who were on board the vessels engaged in the maneuvers attribute this lack of skill to the want of modern equipments on the German ships. The government will argue from this that more cruisers are needed for the German fleet and will urge the necessity of forming a division of

The new chief of the navy department, Prince Bismarck during the week and consulted the ex-chancellor on naval matters, especially as to the need of a larger German navy. Prince Bismarck conceded the necessity of strengthening the fleet, but he strongly dissuaded the admiral from making that the principal issue in the reichstag during the coming session of that body. On the following day Admiral Von Tirpitz went to Wilhelmshohe to report the result of his visit to the emperor. It is said on high authority that his majesty still clings to his intention to force the reichstag to grant much larger appropriations than hitherto for naval construction; but the centre and the liberal factions still stubbornly oppose the proposition and the newspaper organs of these parties never miss an opportunity of repeating their opposition to the emperor's pet project.

There is a decided coolness between the emperor and the king of Saxony. The emperor blames King Albert for the latter's recent decision in the Schoumburg-Lippe succession case, as calculated to destroy belief in the divine right theory. Because of this coolness, King Albert has refused to be present at the army maneuvers next month and has accepted the invitation of Emperor Joseph, of Austria, to witness the army maneuvers in

The investigation into the recent derailment of the Hamburg-Berlin express near Celle, which led to loss of life and the April term, 1890, of Sampson supreme the destruction of considerable property. has yielded sensational results. The Berlin detectives have ascertained that the accident was due to a criminal plot in which at least five persons, evidently foreigners, were concerned. Dynamite cartridges were placed near the tracks and lighted fuses were attached to them. The political police of Berlin have further learned that five anarchists, evidently the same five persons, left Paris for Germany a week before, together and they were seen at Celle the night before the accident. They made inquiries in broken German regarding Emperor William's trip over that road, but did not obtain cor rect information. It is now believed the plot was an attempt upon the emperor's

Goluczi, the Hungarian who murdered the wealthy widow Schulze and her daughter in this city, is believed to have fled to America on a steamer from Hamburg. The Berlin police have cabled a minute description of the man to New York. The sale heir of the murdered women is a step-son of the widow Schulze, who, when last heard from, was foreman of a St. Louis brewery. The estate is worth several million marks.

The Lokal Anzeiger prints an interview with Mehmed Nouri Bey, of the Turkish foreign office at Constantinople, in which he is quoted as saying: "The Armenian revolutionists in Turkey are all pupils and proteges of the American mission schools at Marsovan, Bitlis, Erzeroum and Van. The activity of these schools are the carse of Turkey and Armenia alike."

Yesterday's Races

New York, August 28.—The attendance at Sheepshead Bay was excellent, the card good, the weather warm. The Ocean handicap was a fine race. As they swung into the stretch Belmar came on the outside, while Hastings squeezed through on the rail and there was a rattling finish between Sloan and Taral, in which the former managed to squeeze in by a head.

St. Louis, August 28.-At least 7,000 people turned out today to see six good events at the fair grounds. Four favorites captured a majority of the events. Track fast,

Barre, Vt., August 28 .- At the trotting park today John R. Gentry reduced the harness record of the state made by Nelson, in 2:114, to 2:07, while Robert J was one second behind. Boston, August 28.-Star Pointer and Joe Patchen, the pacers, were matched today for a mile race at Mistic park on September 11th for a purse

of \$4,000, the winner to take all. London, August 28.-A six hours' bicycle race for a gold vase was run at Catford today and was won by Walters, who covered 162 miles. Stokes, lot of tools taken. The postmaster who previously held the trophy, covered 161 miles.

Wanted for Murder

Richmond, Va., August 28.-The sheriff of Ritchie county, West Virginia, arrived here this evening with requisition paper for Erwin Brown. Brown was arrested in that state, charged Emanuel Crull, of this city, escaped onds. This is 3 minutes and 13 3-5 secfrom jail and was captured in this onds better than the record made two city. The prisoner will leave in the weeks ago, by Frank Skinner. Miller custody of the sheriff tomorrow morn- also broke the fifty mile record by

FEDERAL COURT MATTERS.

Governor Russell Receiving Letters of Com mendation-Increase in Taxable Valuation of Property-Burglars Miss a Big

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., August 228.-Judge Purnell appoints George Makepeace, of Sanford, and James P. Gooch, of Weldon, United States commissioners. A motion was heard before him here today in the case of the New York Building and Loan Association against the Cumberland mills, the motion being by the company for leave to file an answer, which should have been filed on the sale day in September. The judge extends the time to September 27th. ever, that the czar has again made it The case stands for trial at the December term. He extends the time because he had set aside the decree pro confesso and allowed the defen-ants to answer. He says he did this on behalf of some of the defendants, notably the Buxton and Shelton heirs.

Private Secretary Alexander says tonight that the governor is in receipt of a good many letters commending his course in regard to railway and other matters generally.

The commissioner of agriculture left tonight to aid Dr. Parker in conducting farmers' institutes at Hendesonville, Rutherfordton and Columbus.

Clerk Fagan, of the state board of tax equalization, says the returns from Guilford and Henderson have come in, leaving eight counties yet out. He now finds that the increase in taxable values, as given by tax listers, aggregates \$3,000,000 in state, this being in addition to the \$1,100,000 increase made by the state board.

The yearly meeting of the Friends sends Secretary of State Thompson a request to give to it the book of records Admiral Von Tirpitz, paid a visit to of Quakers in Pasquotank county, and he complies with the request.

Five bales of new cotton arrived here

Avery Butler was overcome with joy when Governor Russell's pardon was given him late this afternoon. Ladies here express great pleasure at the governor's action in this matter.

tI is found that thieves who ransacked General Hokes' house took away only a pair of opera glasses. They went in the closet in which was silverware worth \$500, but this was in a chest concealed by articles placed upon it.

AVERY BUTLER PARDONED.

The Governor Gives His Reasons for the Pardon of this Convict who was Sentenced to the Penitentiary for Killing his

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., August 28.-Governor Russell pardons Avery Butler, who when 14 years old was convicted of murder at court for killing his father. He was sentenced to be hanged July 11th of that year, but this sentence was commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary. The governor makes the following endorsement in the case:

"For six months I have resisted persistent appeals for pardon of this boy. These appeals have come from the very best men and women from such societies as the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and the Kings Daughters, of Clinton, and from numbers of citizens of Sampson county. It is also urged by every director of the penitentiary. The boy was most cruelly persecuted and tortured by a brutal father, as was also his mother. Considering the provocation, the helplessness of mother and children, the brutality of the father and his threats every day to kill the boy and mother, the case borders on what might be termed not in law, but in ultimate justice, moral self defence. The law ought to have been strong enough to have locked up the father before his cruelties made the family desperate. I am creditably informed that the mother is a deserving woman and her distresses have been and are such as to appeal to every man who is capable of generous emotion.'

Over 1,000 persons signed the petition for pardon, and there are scores of letters Young Butler made two escapes from the penitentiary, once being in Tennessee over a year, but was betrayed. Again he got away by giving a forged order to the guard and the latter gave him his gun while he went to the penitentiary office.

Safe Crackers at Mr. Olive.

(Correspondence of The Messenger.

Mt. Olive, N. C., August 28. The safe at the Mt. Olive postoffice was blown open last night about 3 o'clock and \$300 in cash and \$50 in stamps taken. Several of our citizens heard the report and thought that it was a gun. Three strange men were here yesterday, who claimed they were Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine men. One of them sat around John W. McCullen's wood shop yesterday and was reading a newspaper, and at the same time watching around the shop. His shop was also broken open and a A. A. Smith, colored, has telegraphed for the bloodhounds at Florence. At this writing they have not arrived.

Hundred Mile Record Broken Cleveland, August 28.-The American amateur 100 mile bicycle record was broken here today, James C. Miller riding 100 miles on a quarter-mile with the murder near Sistersville, of track in 4 hours, 23 minutes and 8 sec-51 2-5 seconds, his time being 2:04:17.

FOUR SERIOUS TOPICS

GIVEN THE BRITISHERS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.

The Franco-Russian Alliance-France Sees Prospect of Return of Alsace-Lorraine. A Snub to Germany-The Indian Troubles Cause a Flood of Criticisms Against the Government-President Kruger's Defiance of England.

(Copyright by the Associated Press.) London, August 28.-In political Lon. don at present there is plenty of talk about France. India and President Kruger, each contributing a sensation through the week, while the rise in wheat has set loose an oratorical display regarding the agriculture of England. All four topics promise abundant sequences, both material and po-

The accomplishment of the Franco-Russian alliance which some of the conservative newspapers are inclined to deny, expostulating that the czar's words could be applied to any friendly nation, is, however, accepted by the majority as an undoubted fact. This is recognized deliriously in France, sneeringly in Austria, uncomfortably in Germany, and here in London, they are slowly awakening to the underlying meaning of the alliance as it is understood on the continent.

France is delighted for three reasons. Reasonably or unreasonably, the alliance is accepted as foreshadowing the retrocession of Alsace-Lorraine, which France holds, Russia would be glad to assist in, as a snub to Germany. Secondly, the alliance, largely shifts the control of Europe back to

rejoices at the alliance as being directed against Germany, is well voiced by the Saturday Review which says: "The emperor of Germany has received a rebuff which he will bitterly resent. There is no doubt the formal alliance of France and Russia makes it henceforth impossible for him to be the arbiter of the disturbances of Europe which he aspires to become. The dual alliance is at least as powerful as the triple alliance was formerly. It is no longer a dream."

In France one curious result of President Faure's visit to Russia has been the creation of Prince Louis Napoleon as a new pretender. The French newspapers are all convinced that there was a political motive in his refusal to accept the Legion of Honor decoration at the hands of President Faure, although the president distinctly stated that his refusal was based on the fact that he had received from Napoleon III, while still in his cradle, the grand cordon of that

The Indian troubles have let loose flood of criticism which blames everybody connected with the government. Sir Ellis Ashmead Bartlett, in a virulent letter just published, declares that a spirit of fanaticism has been aroused which will be most difficult to quell, adding: "Every gallant life now lost in the onslaught of the northwestern fanatics is a victim of the reckless villification and persecution of Turkey, which has been the British policy since 1893, and which has ruined the Armenians, prostrated the Greeks, revolutionized Crete, lowered British prestige and alineated the Mussulmans in India.

Professor Arminus Vambery, the well known authority on all of Oriental questions, partly coincides with this view of the situation, though disclaiming that the sultan has had any particular hand in the present troubles which are pan-islamic.

The Saturday Review, while exculpating the sultan, declares that Lord Roberts, of Kandahar, is believed by many of the best informed people to be at the bottom of the affair, which is classed as a legacy of the Landsdown-Roberts administration, whose motto was "Military Aggression."

In spite of constant denials, it is little doubted in official circles that the ameer of Afghanistan has had a hand in the present troubles and that his attitude toward Great Britain is unfriendly. It has been known for months past that the ameer has been ordering enormous quantities of arms and ammunition from agents in England, and this so attracted notice of late that his orders were not executed. In the meanwhile no news is permitted to leak out of Cabul, the capital of Afghanistan. Every man is closely scrutinized and all suspected letters are opened. Sir Saltar Pyne, the ameer's English right hand man, has been expected in England on his annual visit for weeks past, but no news has been received regarding his movements and it is quite possible that he is detained | munitions of any that they have sucat Cabul by the ameer.

President Kruger's sensational defi ance of Great Britain is accepted coldly by the British as amounting to nothing and to which the transfer of the British protectorate from the foreign office to the colonial office is a reply. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, has absolutely affirmed the suzarainty of Great Britain over the Transvaal, being determined to assert it in no uncertain fashion.

The international congress of Catholic student scholars, the fourth of a series organized in 1888 by Mgr. Hula, of Paris, has been in session during the week at Friburg, Switzerland. Seven hundred delegates, representing all nations, have been present. Among them was a notable band of Anglo-Americans and Irish-Americans, including Dr. Zahn, the Catholic evolutionist of India; Mgr. O'Connell, president of the American college at Rome and five professors of the Catholic university at Washington, Baron von Huertling, of Michigan. Scores of papers were read and they were all conspicuous for their frankly modern and advanced tone. At the same time the delegates were absolutely loyal to the church.

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BASE BALL.

Baltimore Takes Another Game From Cincinnuti-Boston Defeats Cleveland-New York and Chicago Game a Tie-Louisville

Wins two Games From Brooklyn. Boston 11, Cleveland 5. Boston August 28 .- The Bostons outplayed the Clevelands at every point today and won eleven to five. Klobedanz

was batted freely in the first inning, but after that was safe. Attendance 8,000. Boston ----- 4 1 0 1 2 0 4 0 0-11 14 Clevelani 300000101-5 10 Batteres: Klobendanz and Bergen; Young and Zimmer. Umpire, Lynch;

Brooklyn 5, Louisville 11.

Brooklyn 5, Louisville 6. Brooklyn, August 28.-The Grooms and the Colonels closed their series for 1897 today with two games, the Colonels winning both of them. The first game was lost through poor fielding, and the second defeat was due to Clarke's effective pitching when men were on bases. The R. H. E. Louisville 0 2 0 0 0 7 0 0 2-11 12 5

Batteres: Kennedy and Burrell; Frazer and Wilson. Umpire, Carpenter; time, Second game-Brookly 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 2-5 11 Louisville 300100002-6 9 3 Batteries: Fisher and Grim; W. Clarke and Wison. Umpire, Carpenter; time,

1:50. Attendance 4,871. Philadelphia 4, Pittsburg 6. Philadelphia, August 28.-Dunkle, a young pitcher secured from the Sunbury club, was given a trial against Pittsburg this afternoon and that he did not win the game was through no fault of his. La Joie was indefinitely suspended today for his indiscretion of yesterday. Attendance 3,90. The score:

Philadelphia 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2-4 11 Pittsburg 0 2 0 0 0 2 2 0 0-6 10 Batteries: Dunkle and McFarland; Tannehil and Sugden, Umpire, Mc-Donald; time, 2:05.

Washington 16, St. Louis 11. Washington, August 28.-In today's game, Murphy retired because of a torn finger. Swaim was batted out of the box and Cross, Hart and McGuire were put on the bench by Umpire Kelly for disput-The popular opinion of London, which ing decisions. Kelly called the game at the end of the first half of the eighth inning on account of darkness. Attendance 2,000. The score: R. H. E. Washington 0 2 1 5 1 0 7 *-16 ;10 St. Louis 0 1 0 4 3 0 2 1-11 17 Batteries: McJames, Swaim and Mc-Guire and Farrell; Hart, Coleman and Douglass and Murphy. Time, 2:15; umpire,

> Baltimore 7, Cincinnati 2. Baltimore, August 28.-The Champions again downed the Cincinnatis in a game devoid of special features. Ehret was patted out of the box in the sixth and replaced by Dammon. Attendance 5,607. Baltimore 0 0 0 0 4 2 0 1 *-7 14 Cincinnati 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0-2 6 Batteries: Pond and Clark and Robin. son: Ehret, Dammon and Peitz. Umpire, O'Day; time, 2:30.

New York 6, Chicago 6. New York, August 28.-Umpire Emslie called the game this afternoon on account of darkness at the end of the eighth inning with the score tied. Callahan was hit by a thrown ball and knocked unconscious. He resumed play, however, and his injury is not serious. The clubs will play off the tie on Monday. The R. H. E. New York...... 1 0 0 0 0 0 5 0-6 10 Thornton, Kittredge and Donohue. Umpire, 7mslie; time, 2:27. Attendance 9,000.

The following is the standing of the clubs, including yesterday's games: Won. Lost. Per C Baltimore 70 Boston 73 New York..... 64 Cincinnati 62 Cleveland 54 · Chicago 49

Pittsburg 46

Louisville 48

Philadelphia 47

Brooklyn 45

Washington 44

St. Louis...... 27 Successful Starting of a Filibustering Expidition.

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Tampa, Fla., August 28.-A large Cuban expedition under the command of Colonel Mendez got away tonight, taking a special train in the suburbs under cover of darkness. The train was rushed over the Plant system to Cleveland on Peace river near Punta Gorda, where the tug Fearless, commanded by Captain Merwin, is supposed to have been ready between 10 and 11 o'clock to take the men and their equipments out to sea to meet a larger boat on which the trip is to be completed. This party has been here for nearly two months. The Cubans managed to get out of the city this afternoon without attracting attention. some of their number being left behind to make themselves conspicuous about the streets as a blind and the special train of an engine and two cars also left the railroad yard early in the evening, without being noticed by the Spanish detectives.

The Cubans say that their expedition is the best equipped with men and ceeded in sending away.

Star Pointer's Wonderful Racing

Readville, Mass., August 28.-Star Pointer, the famous pacing horse broke the world's record for one mile today on this track, pacing an exhibition mile in 1:59%. The track was in excellent condition, and Star Pointer made the record with hardly an effort. When he started it was not thought he would do better than 2:02. When he passed the quarter post in 30 seconds flat, however, there was intense the body of Guldensuppe and asked to excitement. The half mile was turned in see it. He declared that it was surely 59% and the third quarter in 1:29. On the the one that he had loaned to Edstretch, the horse seemed to fairly fly, and crossed the tape in the wonderful time of 1:594. He was paced by a running horse. Star Pointer was driven by Mc-Laren.

Charged With Embezzlement

Washington, August 28.-Thomas M. Arrington, of North Carolina, for twelve years past an employe of the postoffice department and recently in charge of the Washington division of postoffice inspectors, was arrested here this afternoon, charged with embezzling government moneys. An investigation of Arrington's accounts has Pure, rich blood feeds the nerves. is said, resulted in the discovery of a one large iron clad and six cruisers of in which a picnic party had sought That is why Hood's Sarsaparilla, the shortage of about \$3,000. He was re- from 6,000 to 7,000 tons, to form the

THEY ARE AFTER HIM

MEN OF HIS OWN PARTY DENOUN CING GOVERNOR BUSSELL

Denounced as a Failure-Offic'al Discour tesy to Two of the Railway Comm seion-The Combination Agriast These Officials The Shooting of Sheriff Pritchard-Im portant Section of the School Law Omitted in the Printed Acts.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel,

Raleigh, N. C., August 28. Governor Russell is in bad odor with his party. An eastern republican said today: "He is a failure. I will admit it, and I have the additional mortification of knowing that I helped to elect him. But he is politically dead. His war on vested rights has killed him. His advisers are a small coterie. We republicans know who they are."

One of the leading lawyers in this state, a man in high public life for forty years, said: "I never knew so gross a violation of official courtesy as was shown by the governor in giving to a newspaper the official letters which were sent two of the railway commissioners, so that the publication was made two days before they received the letters-letters which were, by all the rules of official etiquette, for them

J. C. L. Harris is engaged by S. Otho Wilson to appear for him in his reply to the governor's charges.

It was remarked today by a prominent citizen that this whole matter is the result of a scheme between the governor, Senator Butier and other officials and two lawyers. It was a republican who said it, and he said that in his whole life he had never heard of so injudicious a proceeding. The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley

railway today paid into the state treasury \$5,170 taxes. for the city election for \$50,000 street improvement bonds. Registration today was heavy, and the advocates of

the bond issue expressed themselves as confident of success. The walks in the capitol square are being paved with brick made at the penitentiary. The work is being done by "green" convicts. Some persons express regret that shell rock was not used for making the walks. A Goldsboro man says that if shell rock is brought here and put down in the sum-

mer it will cause sickness and holds it responsible for sickness at Goldsboro. City Physician James McKee says this is the most notable summer Raleigh has ever had so far as health is concerned.

There is talk that Thomas M. Argo, of Raleigh, may be agreed on for United States attorney of this district. Claude Bernard, one of the three chief aspirants, says as much.

Seaboard Air Line surveyors are making a preliminary survey for a branch line from Gastonia to Denver, and perhaps to Newton. Colonel A. B. Andrews will leave here next Monday for a trip to Cali-

fornia. It turns out that only 7 townships out of 1,321 in the state voted for the public school special tax. In over 20 townships a majority of votes were cast for the measure, but not a majority of the

registered vote. Three barns and a storehouse on Bennehan Cameron's farm, at Farintosh, Durham county, were burned yesterday, the loss being some \$4,000.

It is claimed that the establishment of a dispensary at Fayetteville has largely decreased drunkenness. The secretary of state has a letter from an Alleghany county man dated

"Air Bellows." No such ridiculous postoffice can be found, and it is suggested that Arabella was intended. The friends of Senator Pritchard greatly regret to hear of the, perhaps,

a very plucky fellow, the sheriff of Mitchell, by a desperado. The superintendent of public instruc tion writes the following to the county

fatal shooting of his brother, George,

supervisors: "I wish to call the attention of you and your county board of education to section 2,555 of the school law of 1897. I find that the printer omitted a very important part of this section, as follows: 'No order given by a school committee of any district (township) for maps, charts, globes, or other school apparatus , shall be valid unless the same be endorsed by the chairman of the board of commissioners (which now means chairman county board of education) and approved by the county board of education.' I call upon you in the name of the children of your couty to put a stop to the squandering of the school fund, if it has been in your county, Beware of vouchers that are presented to you for school supplies. These words, 'school supplies,' on some of the vouchers I have seen, simply mean \$37.50 for a school chart."

The Body of Guldensuppe Identified New York, August 28.-William A. Murray, the Petersburg (Va.) photographer who came here yesterday to see the body of William Guldensuppe at the morgue, which he claims to identify as that of William S. Edwards, an employe of his, called at the coronor's office today. He described perfectly the, satchel found in the woods at Kingsbridge, near the lower part of wards on May 30th last and identified two rivets which he had put in the satchel to make it stronger. Mr. Murdaughter and Mr. E. S. Ring, of Petersburg.

Assistant District Attorney Rosellsky said that the identification, if true, would make no difference to the prosecution of the people against Mrs. Nack and Thorn, as the prosecution had never claimed that the satchel belonged to Guldensuppe.

Spain to Build More Warships nucleus of three squadrons.

Danger to Klondyke Prospectors San Francisco, August 28.-Thomas Magee, who is en route to the Klondyke gold fields with a party of San Franciscoans, writes the Associated Press from Lake Bennett, B. C., under date of August 15th, confirming previous reports of the terrible conditions of the White pass trail from Skaguay and relating the almost unsurmountable difficulties to be encountered by the gold hunters who prefer that route to the more formidable Chilicot pass route. He and his party left Skaguay on August 10th with nine burros, consumed four and one-half days in making the trip of forty miles to Lake Bennett, Twenty-five times the pack animals were bogged up, necessitating not only the unpacking of each load, but also the lifting of the animals which necessitated the unpacking of burros and the pro gress of the supplies by hand over these spots. The Magee party took a boat up from San Francisco in sections, but was compelled to leave it at the beach at Skaguay, as it was utterly impossible to carry it over the trail. At the head of Lake Bennett, however, they found a firm Today was the last of registration of boat builders who charged no more for good boats than would be paid in San Francisco (\$140). They had orders ahead for forty-five boats which would occupy

them until September 20th at least. Mr. Magee thinks that the majority of the crowd now at Skaguay will have to abandon all hope of getting into the Yukon country this year, and is certain that late comers have no chance of doing so. He also deplores the fact that so many would-be prospectors seem to over look the fact that once from Dyea or Skaguay, food and other supplies are not to be purchased for love or money, as no one has any more than he absolutely needs for himself. He thinks that 750 pounds is about right for each man, but says that hundreds are skirting with less than one-half that amount, and predicts disaster for them.

A Corner on Coal

Pittsburg, August 28.—By the end of next week all the coal in the Monongahela river will practically be in the hands of one firm, and prices will be made by the lucky possessors of the valuable mineral. There has been a steady increase in the price of coal all the week, and at the present run-ofmine coal brings from 10 to 101/2 cents. When the present strike began the firm of John H. Jones & Co. saw that prices must advance, and they quietly went to work and bought coal everywhere they could at prices which now seems very cheap. They have been keeping this coal, and now practically control the coal trade in this vicinity.

When seen today Mr. Jones refused to say just how much coal they had, but admitted that the amount was over 500,000 bushels. Inquiries among other coal firms developed the fact that there was very little coal outside of that held by Jones & Co., and that that firm would be able to get their own price. Today they were asking 91/2 cents for run-of-mine and 101/2 cents for lump coal. This is an advance of 2 cents over yesterday, and it was predicted that coal would be selling at 12 cents on Monday. This afternoon slack was selling at 10 cents by the barge load. While some coal is being received here from West Virginia, it is not for domestic purposes and will not affect the price to any extent.

A Civil Service Rule Explained.

Washington, August 28.-Acting Commissioner Wilson, of the internal revenue bureau, has issued the following circular to all collectors of internal rev-

"In view of the fact that it is apparent that some misapprehension prevails as to the scope of so much of civil service rule VI as amended by executive order of July 27, 1897, as excepts one deputy collector in each stamp, or branch office," from the requirements of examination and registration before the commission, it is deemed advisable to inform collectors that the excepted place referred to in the paragraph above quoted relates exclusively to deputy collectors outside of the collector's office who are entrusted with the sale of stamps, and not to what are known and classified as 'division deputies.' the fact that the stamp deputy and the division deputy are assigned to the same territory, or occupy the same office does not warrant the conclusion that the division deputy is eligible to the excepted position or that he may be selected in such case and removed, and the place filled by the collector."

Basn't Missed a Meal

"Typhoid fever left me with a back stomach trouble. The medicines I tried did not relieve me until I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine relieved my stomach trouble and I am now able to work every day and have ray was accompanied by his wife and not missed a meal since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla." F. M. DAVISSON, Box 57, Cherry Camp, W. Va.

> Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache. Z cents.

A Wind Storm in Chicago

Chicago, August 28.-A severe wind storm swept over the western suburbs of Chicago tonight, doing considerable Madrid, August 28.-The Spanish damage to buildings at several points. been in profress for some time and, it government will immediately construct | At Norwood park the dancing pavilion shelter was blown down, killing one woman and injuring three other people.